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Arizona Cotton Acreage Intentions Increase

Cotton acreage in Arizona is expected to total 188,000 acres, compared to 146,700 acres last year. Growers of upland cotton intend to plant 185,000 acres, an increase of 40,000 acres from last season, while producers of American-Pima have indicated that they will plant 3,000 acres, up 1,300 acres from last season.

United States Cotton Acreage Expected To Increase 15 Percent

For United States, all cotton plantings for 2010 are expected to total 10.5 million acres, 15 percent above last year. Upland acreage is expected to total 10.3 million acres, up 15 percent. Growers intend to increase planted area in all States except Arkansas, Kansas, and Louisiana. The largest acreage increase is in Texas where producers intend to plant 600,000 more acres of upland cotton than in 2009. American-Pima cotton growers intend to increase their plantings by 34 percent from 2009 to 190,000 acres. California producers intend to plant 165,000 acres, up 39 percent from last year.

Cotton: Area Planted By Type, State, and United States, 2008-2010

Type and State	Area Planted			
	2008	2009	Indicated 2010 1/	2010 as % of 2009
	1,000 Acres			Percent
Upland				
AL	290.0	255.0	360.0	141.0
AZ	135.0	145.0	185.0	128.0
AR	620.0	520.0	520.0	100.0
CA	120.0	71.0	100.0	141.0
FL	67.0	82.0	90.0	110.0
GA	940.0	1,000.0	1,150.0	115.0
KS	35.0	38.0	35.0	92.0
LA	300.0	230.0	200.0	87.0
MS	365.0	305.0	340.0	111.0
MO	306.0	272.0	290.0	107.0
NM	38.0	30.5	35.0	115.0
NC	430.0	375.0	540.0	144.0
OK	170.0	205.0	240.0	117.0
SC	135.0	115.0	175.0	152.0
TN	285.0	300.0	380.0	127.0
TX	5,000.0	5,000.0	5,600.0	112.0
VA	61.0	64.0	75.0	117.0
US	9,297.0	9,007.5	10,315.0	115.0
American-Pima				
AZ	0.8	1.7	3.0	176.0
CA	155.0	119.0	165.0	139.0
NM	2.6	3.0	4.0	133.0
TX	15.6	18.0	18.0	100.0
US	174.0	141.7	190.0	134.0
All				
US	9,471.0	9,149.2	10,505.0	115

1/ Intended plantings in 2010as indicated by reports from farmers.

U.S. Barley Intentions Down 8 Percent
Corn Intentions Up 3 Percent From Last Year

Producers intend to plant 3.27 million acres for the 2010 crop year, down 8 percent from the previous year. If realized, this will be the lowest barley planted acreage on record, well below the previous record low of 3.45 million acres established in 2006. Planted area is expected to total 980,000 acres in North Dakota, the largest barley-producing State, down 230,000 acres or 19 percent from 2009. If realized, this will establish a new record low for the State. Planted acreage is also anticipated to decline to record low levels in South Dakota and Utah.

Corn growers intend to plant 88.8 million acres of corn for all purposes in 2010, up 3 percent from both last year and 2008. Expected acreage is up in many States due to reduced winter wheat acreage and expectations of improved net returns. Acreage increases of 300,000 or more are expected in Illinois, Kansas, Missouri, and Ohio. The largest decreases are expected in Iowa, down 200,000 acres, and Texas, down 150,000 acres.

Arizona acreage seeded to barley totals 45,000 acres, down 3,000 from last year. Field corn acreage for all purposes is expected to total 55,000 acres, up 10 percent from 2009.

Area Planted By State and United States, 2008-2010

Crop and State	2008	2009	Indicated 2010 1/	2010 as % of 2009
		1.000 Acres		Percent
Barley 2/				
AZ	42	48	45	94
CA	95	90	100	111
CO	80	78	73	94
ID	600	530	530	100
MN	125	95	115	121
MT	860	870	790	91
ND	1,650	1,210	980	81
OR	57	40	45	113
SD	63	48	35	73
UT	40	40	37	93
WA	205	105	95	90
WY	90	80	70	88
US	4,246	3,567	3,273	92
Corn				
AZ	50	50	55	110
CA	670	550	650	118
CO	1,250	1,100	1,350	123
ID	300	300	300	100
IL	12,100	12,000	12,600	105
IN	5,700	5,600	5,700	102
IA	13,300	13,700	13,500	99
KS	3,850	4,100	4,700	115
MI	2,400	2,350	2,400	102
MN	7,700	7,600	7,600	100
MO	2,800	3,000	3,300	110
NE	8,800	9,150	9,200	101
NM	140	130	120	92
ND	2,550	1,950	2,100	108
OH	3,300	3,350	3,700	110
SD	4,750	5,000	5,000	100
TX	2,300	2,350	2,200	94
WA	165	170	205	121
WI	3,800	3,850	3,900	101
US	85,982	86,482	88,798	103

1/ Intended plantings in 2010 as indicated by reports from farmers.
2/ Includes area planted in preceding fall.

U.S. All Hay Intentions Up 1 Percent From 2009

Hay Producers expect to harvest 60.5 million acres of all hay in 2010, up 1 percent from 2009. Harvested area is expected to increase from last year throughout most of the Southern Great Plains, Southwest, and Coastal Plains. The largest increases in acreage harvested are expected in Kansas, Missouri, Ohio, Texas, and Wisconsin. Compared with last year, producers in Missouri and Texas intend to harvest 220,000 and 180,000 more acres, respectively, while growers in Montana and Kentucky expect to harvest 100,000 and 70,000 less acres, respectively.

For **Arizona**, hay is expected to be harvested from 320,000 acres, 3 percent more than last year. This acreage includes both alfalfa and other types of hay.

Area Harvested By State and U. S., 2008-2010

State	2008	2009	Indicated 2010 1/	2010 as % of 2009
		1,000 Acres		Percent
All Hay				
AZ	295	310	320	103
AR	1,405	1,415	1,450	102
CA	1,610	1,520	1,500	99
CO	1,570	1,600	1,630	102
ID	1,410	1,510	1,480	98
IL	620	610	610	100
IN	590	620	610	98
IA	1,550	1,220	1,250	102
KS	2,750	2,550	2,700	106
MI	1,020	990	1,000	101
MN	1,950	2,050	2,000	98
MO	4,200	3,880	4,100	106
MT	2,400	2,500	2,400	96
NE	2,570	2,700	2,650	98
NV	455	490	500	102
NM	340	320	340	106
ND	3,220	2,960	2,950	100
OK	2,910	3,220	3,250	101
OR	1,025	1,030	1,000	97
SD	3,850	3,800	3,800	100
TX	4,430	4,620	4,800	104
UT	695	690	700	101
WA	710	810	800	99
WI	1,900	1,920	2,050	107
WY	1,030	1,270	1,270	100
US	60,152	59,755	60,460	101

1/ Intended area harvested in 2010 as indicated by reports from farmers.

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Arizona Wheat Seedings Down

Arizona's Durum wheat seedings are estimated at 80.000 acres, down 45,000 acres from 2009. Seedings of wheat other than Durum totaled 7,000 acres, the same as last year.

Wheat: Area Planted by State & U. S., 2008-2010 1/

Crop and State	2008	2009	Indicated 2010 2/	2010 as % of 2009
	1,000 Acres			Percent
Durum Wheat				
AZ	**150**	**125**	**80**	**64**
CA	160	180	115	64
ID	10	20	20	100
MT	590	570	500	88
ND	1,800	1,650	1,500	91
SD	11	9	8	89
US	2,721	2,554	2,223	87
Winter Wheat				
AZ 3/	**9**	**7**	**7**	**100**
AR	1,070	430	210	49
CA	680	590	600	102
CO	2,150	2,600	2,450	94
ID	850	740	780	105
IL	1,200	850	350	41
IN	580	470	300	64
KS	9,600	9,300	8,600	92
MI	730	620	500	81
MN	75	55	70	127
MO	1,250	780	390	50
MT	2,600	2,550	2,050	80
NE	1,750	1,700	1,600	94
NV	12	16	16	100
NM	430	450	480	107
ND	630	580	340	59
OH	1,120	1,010	800	79
OK	5,600	5,700	5,200	91
OR	780	760	840	111
SD	2,050	1,700	1,250	74
TX	5,800	6,400	5,600	88
UT	130	140	130	93
WA	1,750	1,700	1,750	103
WY	150	155	160	103
US	46,307	43,311	37,698	87

1/ Includes area planted in preceding fall in AZ and CA.
2/ Intended planting for 2010 as indicated by reports from farmers.
3/ Wheat other than Durum.

All Orange Production Up 1 Percent From March

The United States all orange forecast for the 2009-2010 season is 8.20 million tons, up 1 percent from the March 1 forecast but down 10 percent from the revised 2008-2009 final utilization. The Florida all orange forecast, at 132 million boxes (5.92 million tons), is up slightly from the previous forecast but down 19 percent from last season's revised final utilization. Early, midseason, and navel varieties in Florida are forecast at 68.6 million boxes (3.09 million tons), up 1 percent from March 1 but 19 percent lower than last season. The Florida Valencia orange forecast, at 63.0 million boxes (2.84 million tons), is unchanged from the previous forecast but down 19 percent from the revised 2008-2009 estimate. The row count survey conducted in late March and declines in weekly utilization indicated harvest for early, midseason, and navel oranges was near completion. Objective survey measurements showed that the Valencia drop rate is average, while fruit size is measuring below average.

The California all orange forecast is 59.0 million boxes (2.21 million tons), up 4 percent from the previous forecast and up 27 percent from last season's revised final utilization. The California navel orange forecast is 42.0 million boxes (1.58 million tons), up 5 percent from the March 1 forecast and up 22 percent from last season. The California Valencia orange forecast is 17.0 million boxes (638,000 tons), unchanged from the previous forecast but up 42 percent from last season's revised final utilization. Harvest of navel oranges continued during March, while Valencia orange harvest got underway. The Texas orange forecast, at 1.60 million boxes (68,000 tons), is up 1 percent from the previous forecast and up 10 percent from last season's final utilization.

Spring Cantaloupe Acreage Expected to Decrease

Arizona's spring cantaloupe acreage for harvested is expected to total 11,500 acres, down 15 percent from last spring. Area intended for harvest nationally is forecast at 26,400 acres, down 5 percent from 2009. In California, planting has begun in the Southern San Joaquin Valley. Harvest is expected to begin sometime in June. The Georgia crop is in fair to good condition. In Texas, land preparation and some melon planting was underway.

Spring Potatoes: Area Planted And Harvested, Yield, And Production 2009-2010

State	Area				Yield		Production	
	Planted		Harvested					
	2009	2010	2009	2010	2009	2010	2009	2010
	1,000 Acres				Cwt		1,000 Cwt	
AZ	4.0	3.7	4.0	3.7	280	280	1,120	1,036
CA 1/	17.8	31	17.5	31.0	410	380	7,175	11,780
FL	32.6	32.4	28.9	31.0	266	244	7,700	7,550
Hastings	20.0	20.2	16.5	19.0	260	230	4,290	4,370
Other FL	12.6	12.2	12.4	12.0	275	265	3,410	3,180
NC	16.0	16.0	15.0	15.5	225	210	3,375	3,255
TX	8.8	8.8	8.3	8.4	235	235	1,951	1,974
US	79.2	91.9	73.7	89.6	289	286	21,321	25,595

1/ Beginning in 2010, winter and summer estimates included in spring total for California.

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March Farm Prices Received Index Up 6 Points

The preliminary All Farm Products Index of Prices Received by farmers in March, at 141 percent, based on 1990-92=100, increased 6 points (4.4 percent) from February. The Crop Index is up 8 points (5.4 percent) and the Livestock Index increased 5 points (4.1 percent). Producers received higher prices for onions, lettuce, eggs, and cattle and lower prices for milk, corn, soybeans, and apples. In addition to prices, the overall index is also affected by the seasonal change based on a 3-year average mix of commodities producers sell. Increased monthly marketings of strawberries, soybeans, broilers, and milk offset decreased marketings of cattle, corn, cotton, and oranges.

The preliminary All Farm Products Index is up 15 points (12 percent) from March 2009. The Food Commodities Index, at 143, increased 10 points (7.5 percent) from last month and increased 21 points (17 percent) from March 2009.

Prices Paid Index Unchanged

The March Index of Prices Paid for Commodities and Services, Interest, Taxes, and Farm Wage Rates (PPITW) is 184 percent of the 1990-1992 average. The index is unchanged from February but is 4 points (2.2 percent) above March 2009. Lower prices in March for complete feeds, LP gas, herbicides, and supplements offset higher prices for potash & phosphate, diesel, nitrogen, and feeder cattle.

Prices Received by Farmers: Arizona and United States, March 2009 and 2010 and February 2010

Commodity	Unit	**Arizona**			United States		
		March 2009 Entire Month	February 2010 Entire Month	March 2010 Mid-Month	March 2009 Entire Month	February 2010 Entire Month	March 2010 Mid-Month
Upland Cotton	$ Lb	**0.534**	**0.657**	1/	0.404	0.650	0.639
Durum Wheat 2/	$ Bu	2/	1/	1/	7.40	4.61	5.03
Alfalfa Hay Baled 3/	$ Ton	**170.00**	**110.00**	**115.00**	138.00	111.00	111.00
Lemons	$ Box	**23.30**	**40.20**	**36.30**	24.80	38.90	37.40
Cows 4/	$ Cwt	**44.00**	**54.00**	**57.00**	44.40	51.60	52.40
Steers and Heifers	$ Cwt	**82.00**	**87.00**	**92.00**	84.00	90.50	93.90
Beef Cattle 5/	$ Cwt	**63.00**	**70.50**	**74.50**	79.10	85.50	88.80
Calves	$ Cwt	**100.00**	**117.00**	**123.00**	106.00	112.00	113.00
All Milk 6/	$ Cwt	**10.60**	**15.30**	**14.50**	11.80	15.90	15.10

1/ Prices not published to avoid disclosure of individual operations or insufficient sales.
2/ Not available for Arizona.
3/ Mid-month.
4/ Beef cows and cull dairy cows sold for slaughter.
5/ "Cows" and "steers and heifers" combined.
6/ Preliminary; before for hauling. Includes quality, quantity, and other premiums. Excludes hauling subsidies.

United States Price Index Summary Table

Index 1990-92 = 100	2009		2010	
	February	March	February	March
Prices Received	126	126	135	141
Prices Paid	179	180	184	184
Ratio 1/	70	70	73	77

1/ Ratio of index prices received by farmers to index of prices paid by farmers.